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1. AS REQUIRED BY CCP, FIRST MEETING OF WASHINGTON ACTION GROUP (WAG) FOR INDONESIA WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 25. WAG REPS SHARE IMPRESSION THAT EMBASSY IS PROCEEDING WITH ACTIONS OUTLINED IN CCP BUT NOTED LACK OF QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT FROM POST'S CCP TASK FORCE DUE IN OCTOBER. ESPECIALLY DESIRED IS PROGRESS REPORT ON ACTIONS DETAILED IN CCP ANNEXES A & B.

2. WAG MEMBERS DISCUSSED POST'S PROPOSALS ON JOINT STATE/COMMERCE ACTION TO PURSUE TRADE OPPORTUNITIES ARISING
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FROM POTENTIAL EXPANSION OF INDONESIA'S SUGAR PROCESSING

FACILITIES. COMMERCE EVALUATION FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL. ASSUME POST INTENDS TO DESIGNATE THIS AS MAJOR CCP PROJECT AREA FOR ACTION UNDER ANNEX B AND REQUEST CONFIRMATION.

3. WAG NOTED STEPS TAKEN BY POST UNDER ACTION E IN STARTING AND BROADENING DISTRIBUTION OF ITS JAKARTA BUSINESS BULLETIN AND IN PROPOSING A REGIONAL APPROACH TO PROVIDING OTHER REPORTS AND SERVICES THROUGH THE U.S. FOREIGN AFFAIRS DATA PROCESSING CENTER IN BANGKOK (FADPC). RE BULLETIN, REPLY TO EMBASSY REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WILL BE FORTHCOMING.

4. WAG ALSO NOTED PROBLEMS OF POST IN PREPARING MARKET BRIEFS IN SUPPORT OF USRTC SINGAPORE'S REGIONAL EVENTS. COMMERCE IS WILLING TO PROVIDE MARKET RESEARCH FUNDING ON CASE-BY-CASE BASIS TO COINCIDE WITH MARKET BRIEF REQUEST.

5. COMMERCE REPS RESPONSIBLE FOR AGENT/DISTRIBUTOR SERVICE (ADS) REVIEWED DIFFICULTIES THEY HAVE HAD IN POST'S RESPONSES TO ADS REQUESTS.

6. POST COMPLIANCE WITH CERP WAS ALSO REVIEWED. RE TRADE OUTLOOK ARTICLE DUE MAY 1, 1974 BUT NOT RECEIVED, BOTH STATE AND COMMERCE ARE AGREEABLE TO OVERLOOKING ABSENCE OF THIS REPORT IN 1974. TRADE OUTLOOK ARTICLE FOR JANUARY 20 ISSUE OF COMMERCE TODAY BEING PREPARED BY COMMERCE USING OTHER DATA. CERP REQUIREMENT REMAINS IN EFFECT, AND COPIES OF CURRENT INSTRUCTIONS APPLICABLE TO EMBASSY'S TRADE OUTLOOK ARTICLE, NOW DUE MAY 1, 1975, WILL BE SENT SEPARATELY.

7. COPIES OF WAG MINUTES BEING SENT THROUGH APO.
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